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TO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 7036
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AMEMBASSY RANGOON

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, TH, VN, XC
SUBJECT: PROPOSED SEA APPEAL TO NVN

REF: BANGKOK 19403

1. THE PROPOSAL SUGGESTED IN THE REFERENCE CERTAINLY HAS MERIT GIVEN THE DRV'S CONTINUING FAILURE TO OBSERVE THE OBLIGATIONS IT UNDERTOOK IN SIGNING THE VIETNAM AGREEMENT.

2. WHILE SOUVANNA MIGHT NOT BE DISPLEASED WITH SUCH AN ASIAN STATES APPEAL, HE CERTAINLY WOULD NOT ASSOCIATE RLG WITH IT. AT THE PRESENT DELICATE STAGE OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE RLG AND LAO PATRIOTIC FRONT, HE HAS TAKEN EVERY STEP POSSIBLE TO AVOID ENVENOMING THE ATMOSPHERE OF CONCILIATION AND ACCOMMODATION WHICH NOW PREVAILS IN HIS COUNTRY. BASICALLY HE IS ALREADY NEGOTIATING WITH THE NORTH VIETNAMESE THROUGH THE LPF PROXY, AND IS TRYING TO DETACH LAOS FROM THE BROADER PATTERN OF CONFLICT IN

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INDOCHINA. HE IS QUITE ANXIOUS TO STRENGTHEN THE IMAGE OF NEUTRALITY FOR HIMSELF AS WELL AS LAOS.

3. MUCH AS WE SYMPATHIZE WITH EMBASSY BANGKOK'S PROPOSAL,

WE MUST CONCLUDE THAT SOUVANNA WILL CONTINUE TO RELY ON
HIS PERSONAL DIPLOMACY TO DEAL WITH DRV RATHER THAN ACT
IN CONCERT WITH HIS OTHER ASIAN NEIGHBORS.

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